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MOVING ARIZONA FORWARD 'YES, WE CAN'

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Education

- Voluntary Full Day Kindergarten 2nd year funding.
- AIMS: \$10 million for tutoring; no requirement for special education students to pass
- Continue developing childcare rating system as a public/private partnership
- A book to every first grader and fourth grader in Arizona
- Statewide Master Teacher program
- Double state contribution to college financial aid
- Increase the number of degrees in nursing, engineering and teaching

Economy

- Balanced budget
- No tax increases
- Phase out personal property tax for small businesses
- Expand Research and Development tax credit for businesses that partner with state universities
- Tax relief to businesses that manufacture goods in Arizona and export them

Efficiency Review

- Reducing red tape, wasteful spending and inefficient government
- Asked state employees for suggestions, now soliciting citizen input
- Rainy day surplus of \$100 million

Water

- Adequately fund Arizona Department of Water Resources
- Urge every communities to develop water management plans
- Ensure Arizona's fair share of Colorado River Water
- Virtual water university
- Culture of conservation

Land

- Create an Arizona Office of Fire and Life Safety
- Complete state trust land reform
- Increase the number of inmate fire crews

Homeland Security and Immigration

- Consolidated Intelligence Center
- Stop federal cuts to homeland security funding
- Federal government needs to live up to its responsibilities and pay for Illegal immigrants imprisoned in Arizona

Health Care

- CoppeRx Card
- Revitalize Health Care Group affordable health insurance for small businesses
- First class of ASU/UA Medical School starts in 2006
- Implemented a plan with the Board of Regents to increase the number of nursing graduates
- Medical School Center Account

Military and Veterans

- Protect Arizona's military installations
- Complete the State Veteran's Home in Southern Arizona
- Acquire land for a Veteran's Cemetery in Northern Arizona
- Support public/private partnerships to assist homeless vets